

"The Power Within"

Job Armstrong, ship builder, ship owner and millionaire, was a self-made man, and proud of it. He believed that all he was, all he had done, he owed to his faith in himself. His daughter, Dorothy, married Count Cyril Basaine, who secretly plotted to gain control of his father-in-law's shipyards.

Shortly after Dorothy's marriage, Job sent a wheat ship to starving thousands in Europe. He was a charitable man because he glorified himself. With the wheat ship he sent his only son, Bob, and Count Basaine. Thea

The first bad luck of years came to Job with the sinking of a freight ship bound for Singapore. This was the beginning of the Count's scheme to ruin Job. Dorothy, overcome by heart trouble of long standing, the news of her death came to Job while he was trying to quell a discontent that started in the shipyards through the agents of the Count.

While he wondered, even as Job of old wondered when all he had was taken from him, why these blows should fall on him, next word came that Bob had mysteriously disappeared in France. Count Bazaine confirmed the story upon his return.

slowly Job Armstrong's health broke, but he would not give up, nor lose faith in his own power. Though the strength of the shipyards had weakened, Job hung onto his faith in himself-- he would save them alone, by his own efforts.

But the sinister forces of Basaine during the many months brought Job to the brink of ruin. Then, from France, came Pauline, the little peasant girl Bob had married, and their little son. She told of their courtship, their marriage, and then how Bob had met his death.

At last the day came when Job Armstrong was forced to admit defeat and appoint a receiver, but his cup of bitterness was not yet drained. In the chilly dawn, his home burned to the ground. He took his wife, Pauline, and his baby grandson back to the shack on the river where he had started his climb-- back to the beginning with nothing left but Ashes of Hope, of Fortune, of Courage and of Strength! But still hopeful that out of the wreck he could gather something for himself.

Not satisfied with the havoc he had wrought, Count Basaine called on Job to ask him to sign a letter to the receiver, recommending him (Basaine) as manager of the shipyards. Pauline recognized Basaine as the murderer of Bob, her husband. She fought him like a young tigress, but he got away without his coat, in the pocket of which they found a letter that exposed his plot against Job.

In the excitement, baby Bobby was forgotten. His toy boat floated serenely on the river, but no baby! Then Job Armstrong realized the meaning of the words, "Thy Will be done!" Therefore his faith had been only in himself, but he now knew that it is Divine love and faith-- the Power within, that meets every human need. Little Bobby, however, was found.

Basaine ^{was} caught by the police and held for murder. The receivership was discharged and the shipyards turned back to Job, who, his strength renewed by spiritual peace and the knowledge of the Divine power within himself, won back health and fortune and a greater happiness than he had ever known.



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